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THE RETURN OF THE SINISTER SIX **PART TWO OF**

the AMAZING SPIDER-MAN



**SHOCK FOLLOWS
SHOCK WHEN
SPIDEY CONFRONTS
THE
SHOCKER!**

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& MACH290



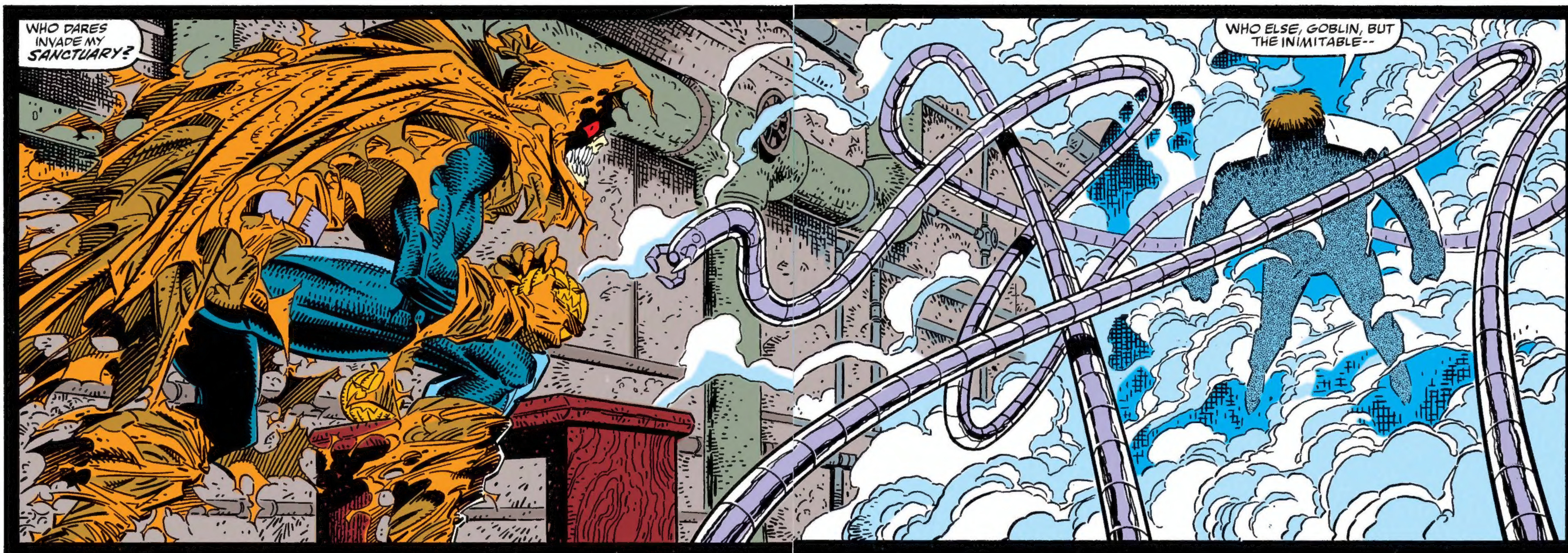
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PRESENTS: **THE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN®**

SHOCKS!



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--DR. OCTOPUS! MY LACKEYS PROVIDED DETAILS OF YOUR RECENT EXPLOITS. FROM THAT IT WAS SIMPLE TO EXTRAPOLATE YOUR CURRENT WHEREABOUTS.

I WANT YOU TO WORK FOR ME.

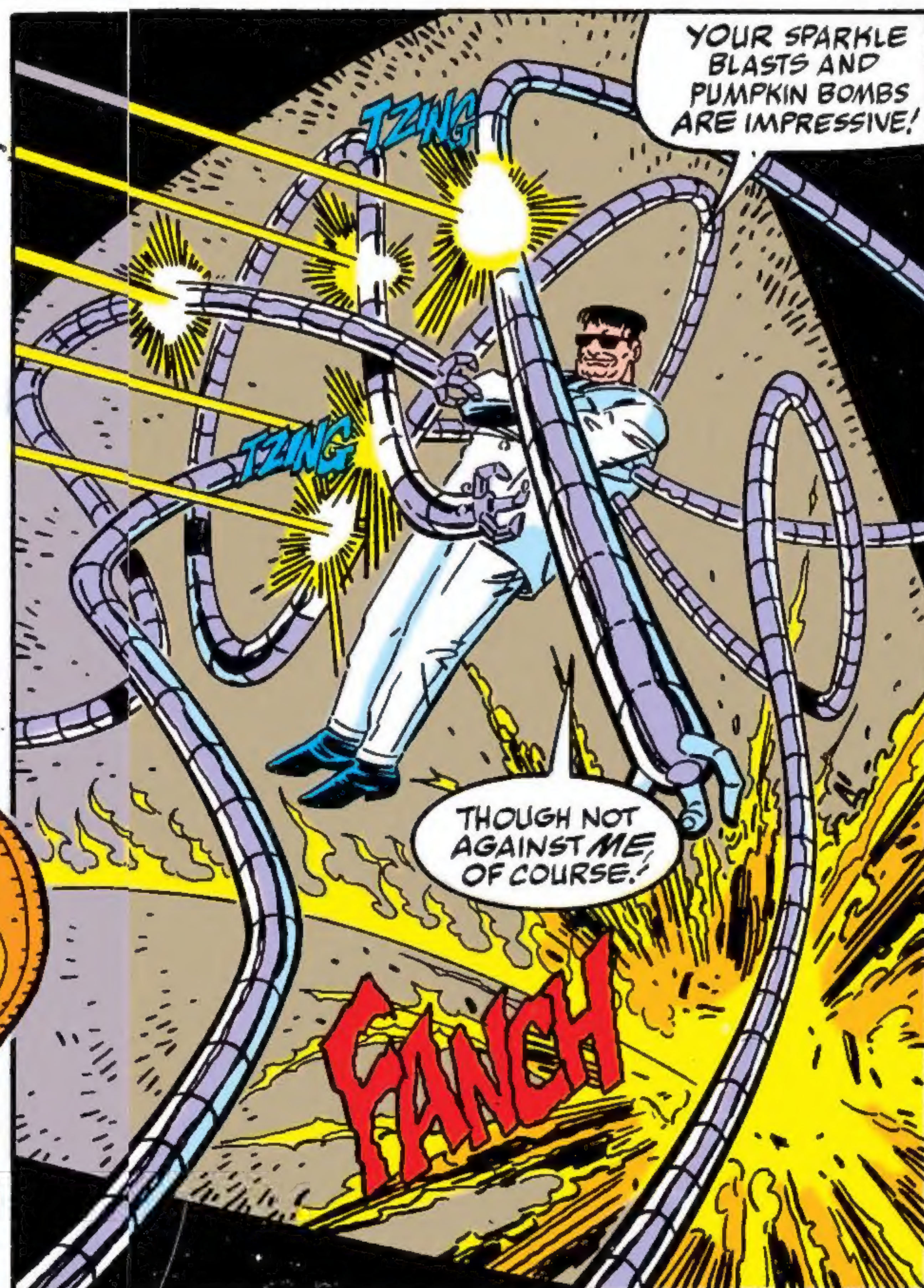


I ALMOST DIED COLLABORATING WITH CARRION!* AND I'M NOT ABOUT TO WORK--

* IN SPECTACULAR SPIDER-MAN #163. --J.S.

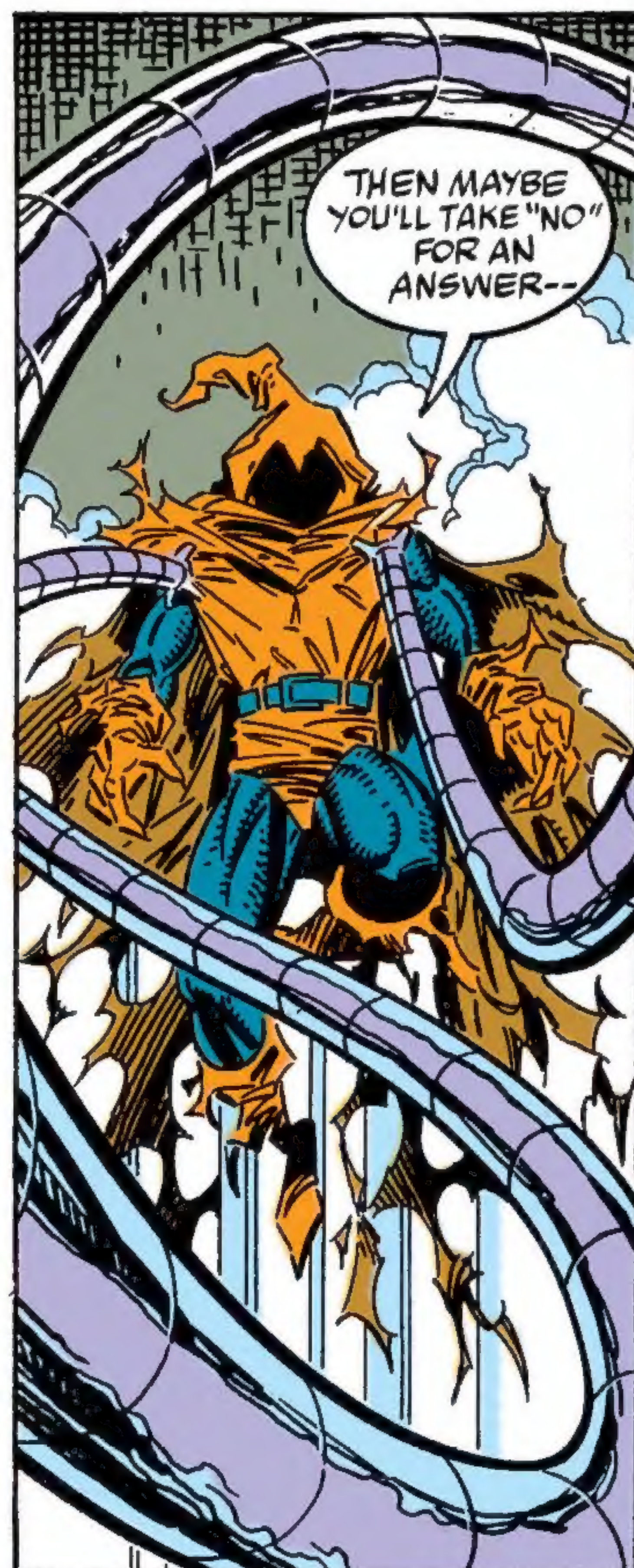


--FOR LOSERS AGAIN!



YOUR SPARKLE BLASTS AND PUMPKIN BOMBS ARE IMPRESSIVE!

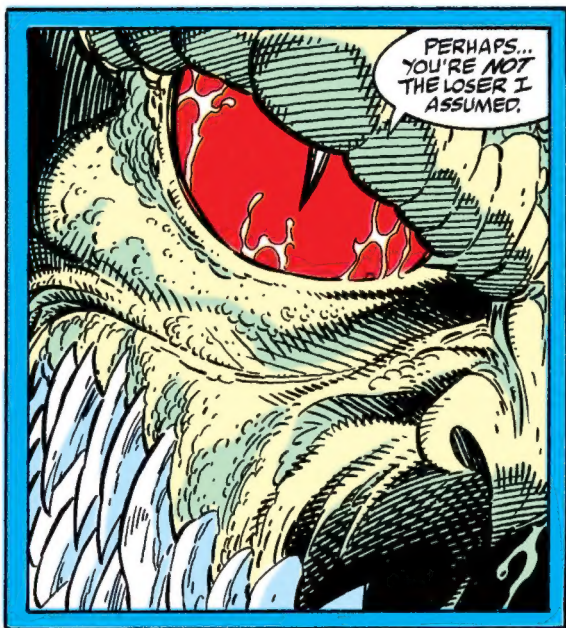
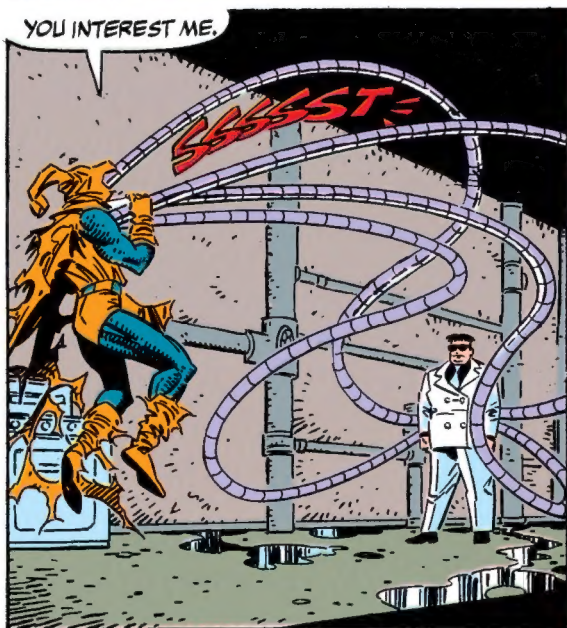
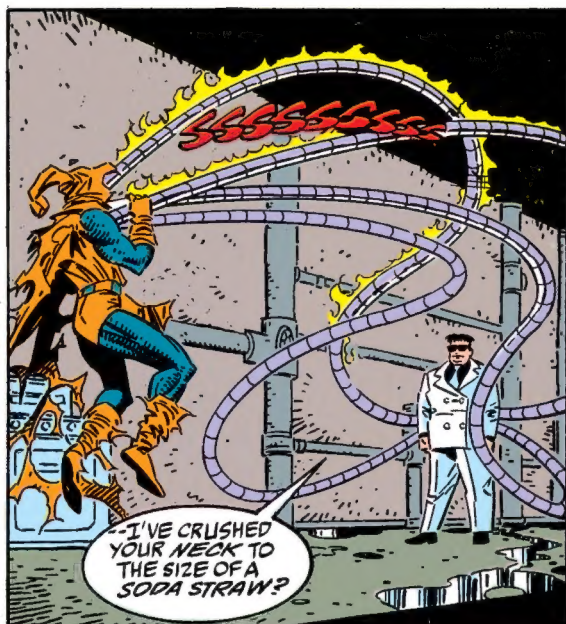
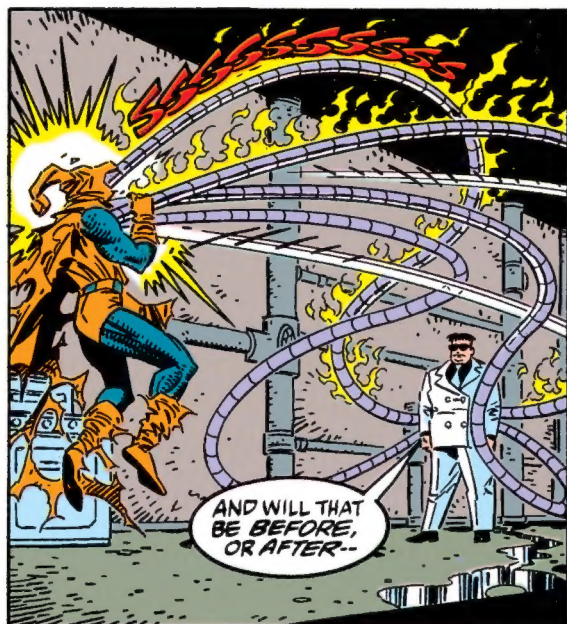
THOUGH NOT AGAINST ME OF COURSE!

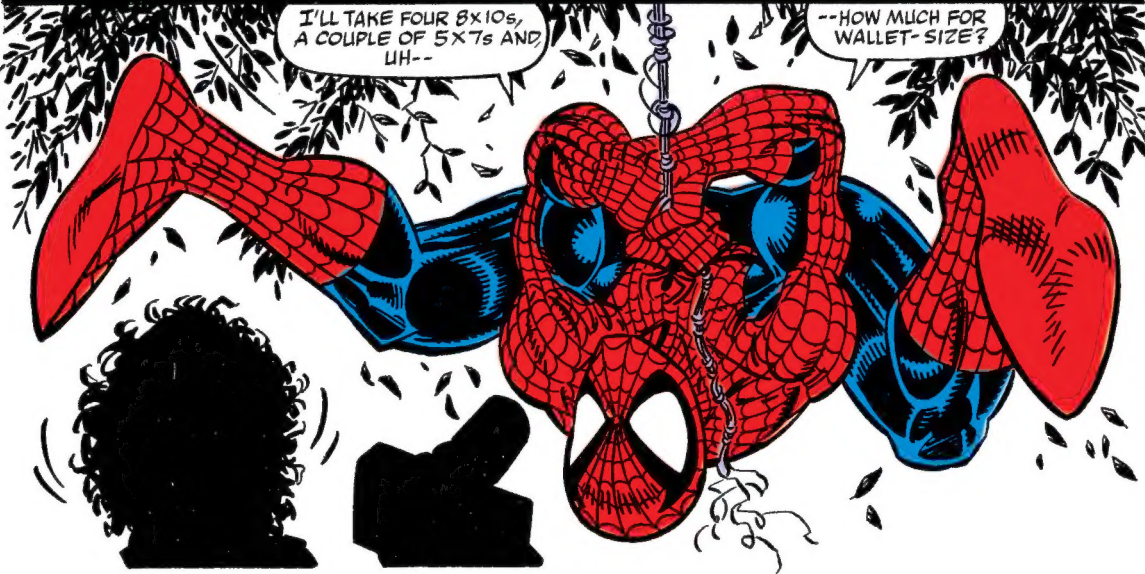
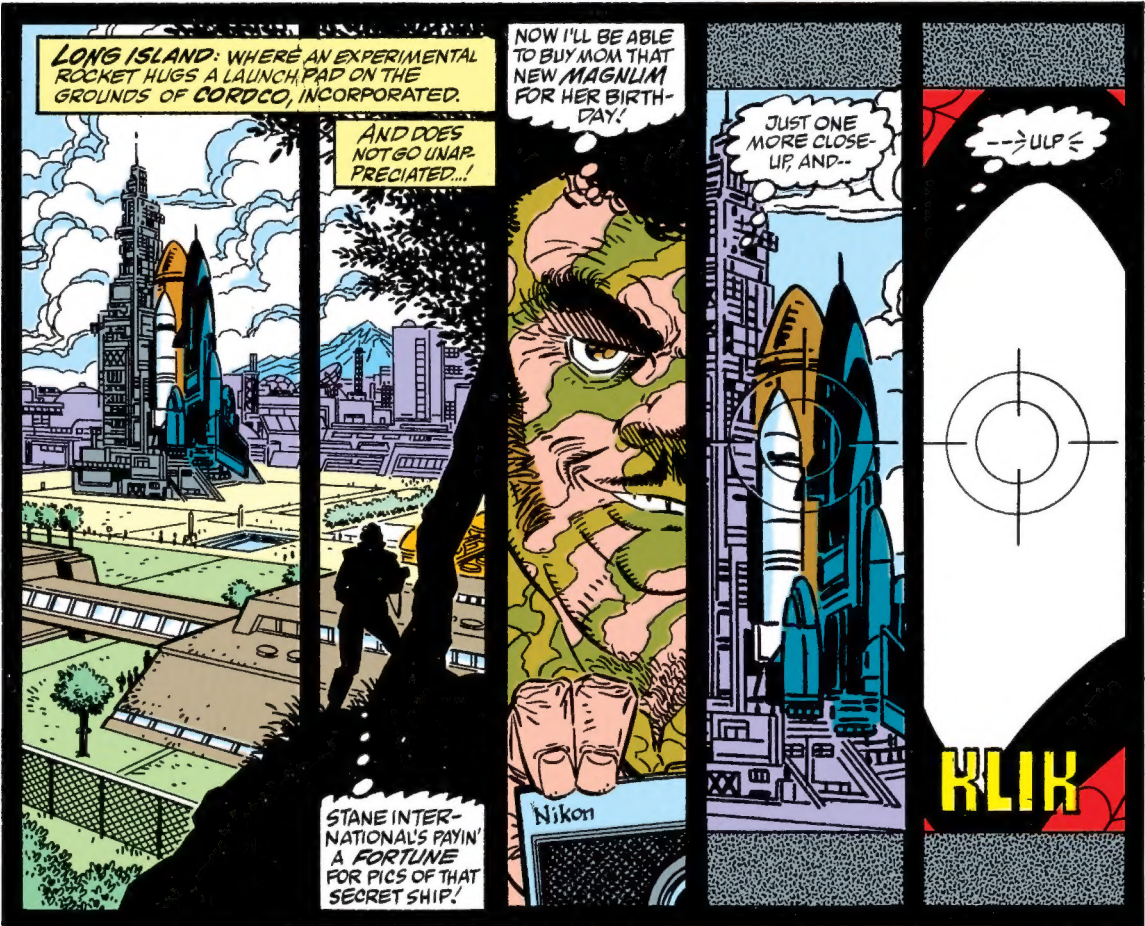
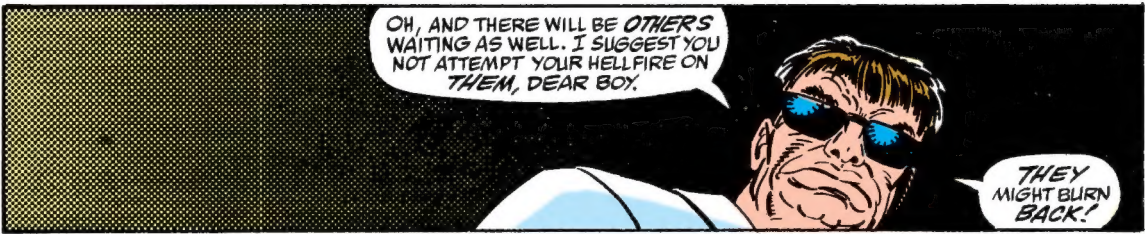


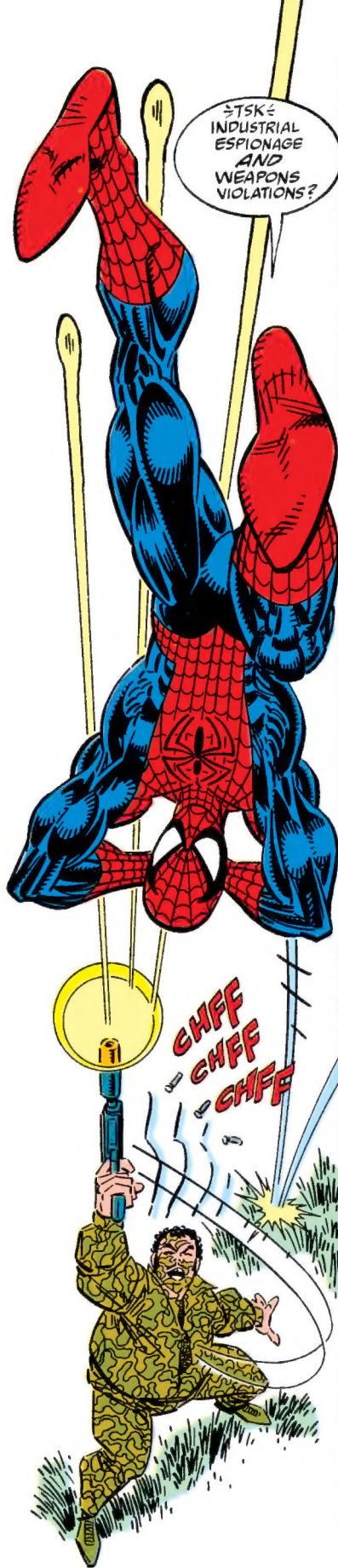
THEN MAYBE YOU'LL TAKE "NO" FOR AN ANSWER--



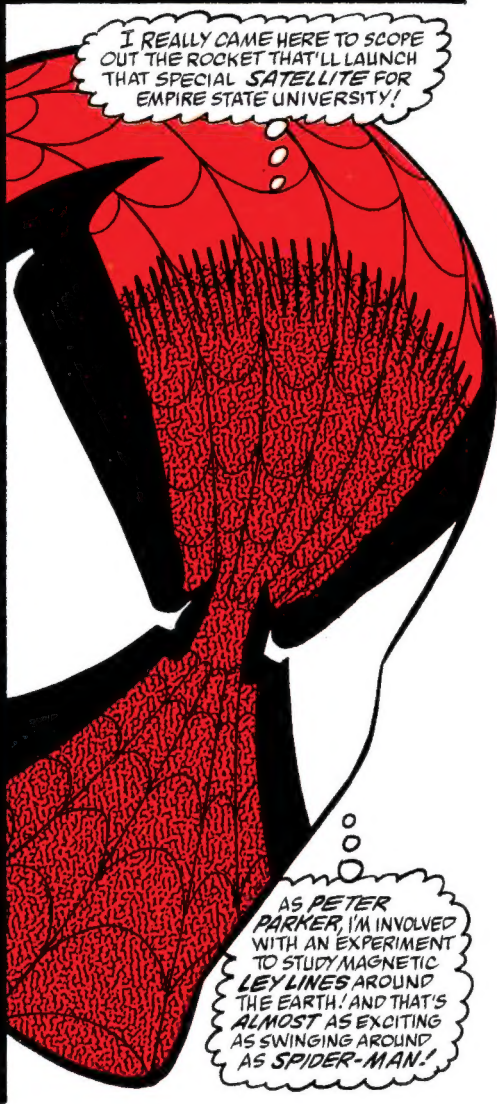
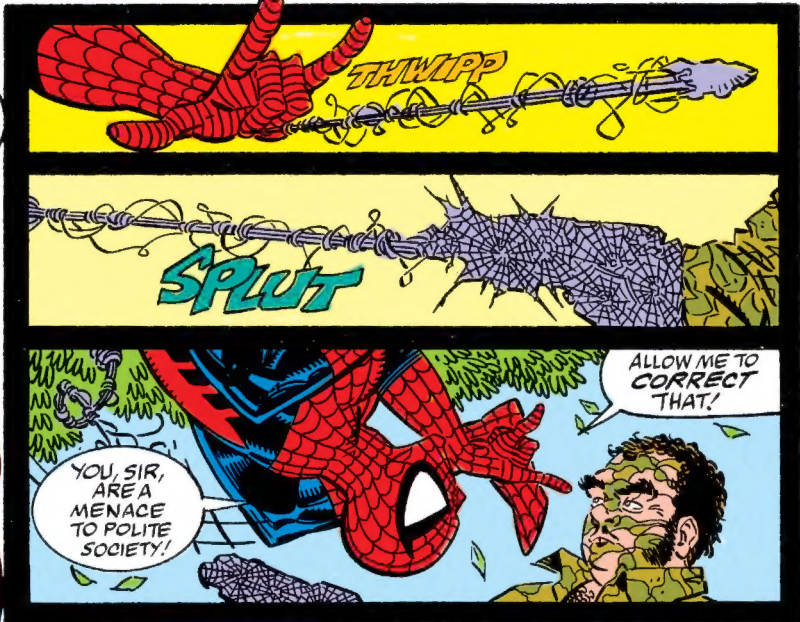
--WHEN MY HELLFIRE HAS CHARRED YOU TO A CINDER!

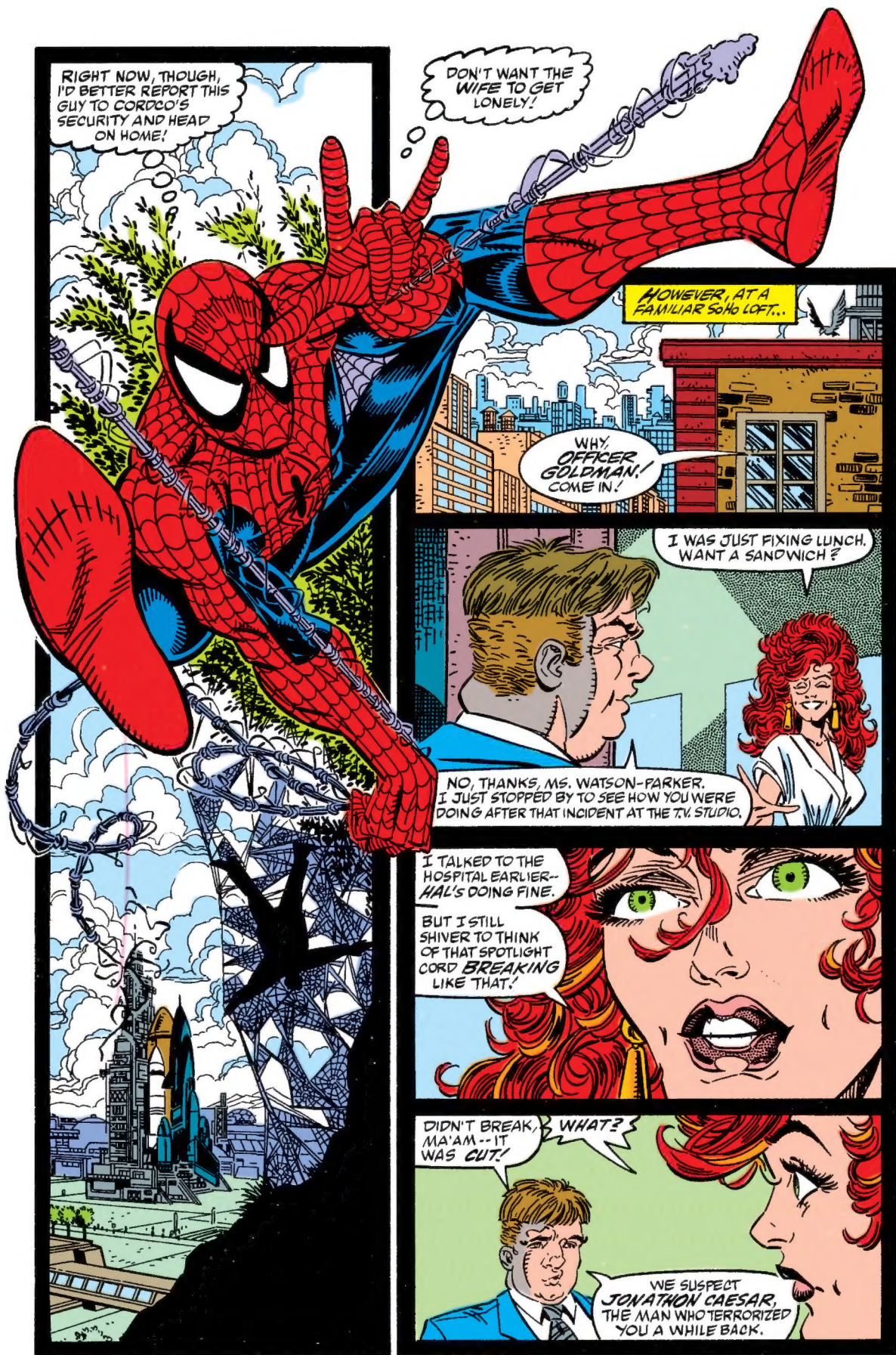






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INDUSTRIAL
ESPIONAGE
AND
WEAPONS
VIOLATIONS?





RIGHT NOW, THOUGH, I'D BETTER REPORT THIS GUY TO CORDCO'S SECURITY AND HEAD ON HOME!

DON'T WANT THE WIFE TO GET LONELY!

HOWEVER, AT A FAMILIAR SOHO LOFT...

WHY, OFFER GOLDMAN, COME IN!

I WAS JUST FIXING LUNCH. WANT A SANDWICH?

NO, THANKS, MS. WATSON-PARKER. I JUST STOPPED BY TO SEE HOW YOU WERE DOING AFTER THAT INCIDENT AT THE TV STUDIO.

I TALKED TO THE HOSPITAL EARLIER-- HAL'S DOING FINE.

BUT I STILL SHIVER TO THINK OF THAT SPOTLIGHT CORD BREAKING LIKE THAT!

DIDN'T BREAK, MA'AM-- IT WAS CUT!

WHAT?

WE SUSPECT JONATHAN CAESAR, THE MAN WHO TERRORIZED YOU A WHILE BACK.

CAESAR'S CERTAINLY CAPABLE OF SUCH VIOLENCE, BUT HE'S FIXATED ON ME ROMANTICALLY!

WHY HURT MY DIRECTOR, ESPECIALLY WHEN I'D JUST HAD A BIG ARGUMENT WITH HIM?

-- OF A DERANGED MIND.

HI, HON!

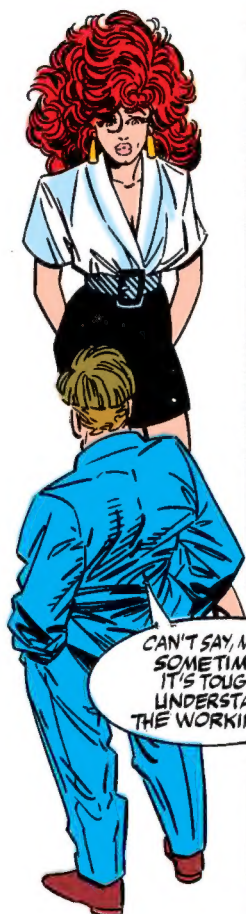
OH, I, UH, DIDN'T KNOW YOUR HUSBAND WAS HOME!

OFFICER, I SOMETIMES DON'T KNOW, MYSELF!

WELL, UM, SINCE YOU'RE IN GOOD HANDS--

--I'LL BE GOING

'BYE!



STAR TREATMENT FROM THE N.Y.P.D.?

JEALOUS!

BET YOUR EGO'S STILL SORE FROM BEING UPSTAGED BY IRON MAN AT THE UNIVERSITY!

I-I'D COMPLETELY FORGOTTEN ABOUT THAT!

ER, I HAVE TO PHOTOGRAPH A CHARITY EVENT THIS AFTERNOON. BETTER CHECK ON AUNT MAY FIRST.

WELL, THAT WAS SURE SENSITIVE OF ME!

AUNT MAY? HI! IT'S ME!

HOW ARE YOU?

GREAT.

AND NATHAN?

I'M AFRAID HE'S WORSE, PETER. HIS HEART IS WEAKENING STEADILY.

AND DOCTORS SAY THERE ISN'T A *THING* THEY CAN DO!

YOU BE STRONG, AUNT MAY. CALL US IF YOU NEED US.

WE'LL VISIT SOON.

I WAS Hoping TO FIND HOW NATHAN GOT ALL THAT *CASH*--*

*LAST ISSUE. --J.S.

--BUT MONEY DOESN'T SEEM IMPORTANT NOW.

SOMETHING WRONG, PETER?

JUST...

...WHAT THE HECK GOOD AM I?

I MEAN, WITH ALL MY POWER, THERE'S NOT A BLASTED THING I CAN DO TO HELP NATHAN!

I FEEL SO USELESS!

UH-OH! ONE EGO BANDAGE, COMIN' RIGHT UP!

LISTEN, HON, HOW 'BOUT IF I TAG ALONG ON THAT PHOTO ASSIGNMENT? I'VE ALWAYS FOUND YOUR WORK SO *FASCINATING*!

BULL.

AND... THANKS.

POOR PETER. I KNOW HE WANTS TO HELP, BUT--

!GASP!

NATHAN! ARE YOU--?

DREAM. SKOFF? J-JUST... A DREAM.

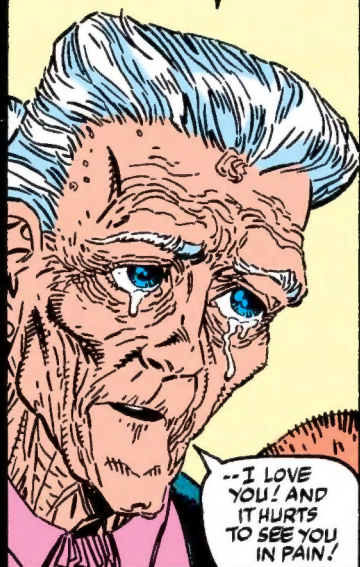
CAN'T LET HIM SEE HOW WORRIED I AM! HAVE TO ACT NORMAL!

I HEARD FROM ANTON CHENHOV TODAY, DEAR. HE HAD A POEM PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE! I ASKED IF HE'D--

MAY?

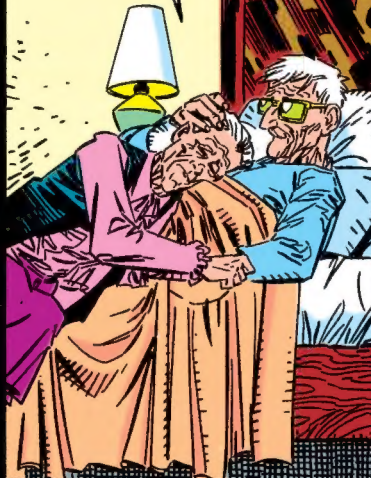
I'M SCARED.

OH, NATHAN! SO AM I! I-I TRY TO PRETEND, BUT--



--I LOVE YOU! AND IT HURTS TO SEE YOU IN PAIN!

THIS MAY SOUND SELFISH, BUT I'M TERRIFIED AT THE THOUGHT OF LIVING... WITHOUT YOU!



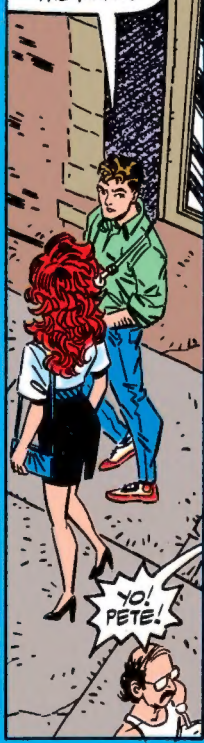
DON'T CRY, MAY, PLEASE. YOU'LL GET BY FINE. I...

...I'LL SEE TO THAT!



SoHo.

--MIGHT NOT BE EXCITING, BUT THESE PHOTOS WILL HELP PAY THE RENT!



YO! PETE!

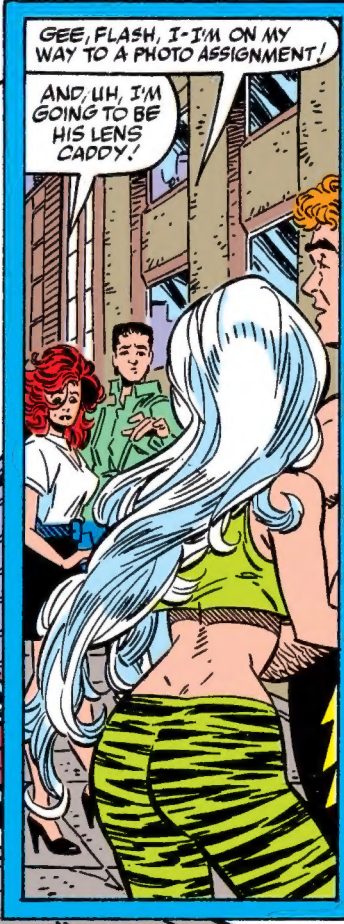
HEY! FLASH THOMPSON!

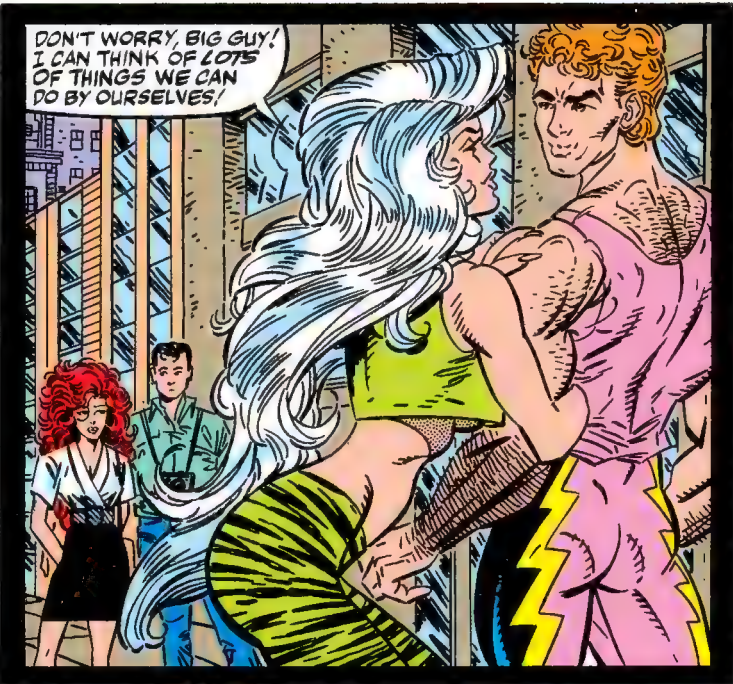
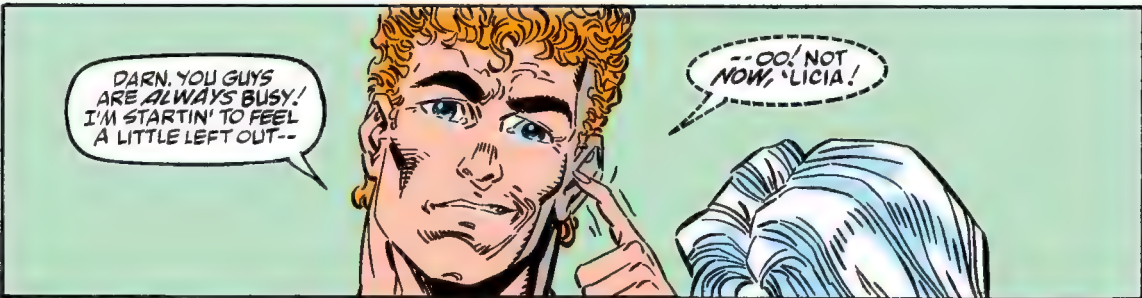
FELICIA AN' I WERE JUST COMIN' TO SEE YA! SINCE I'M SORT OF ATTACHED NOW, I THOUGHT WE COULD ALL GO DO SOME "COUPLE STUFF"!



GEE, FLASH, I-I'M ON MY WAY TO A PHOTO ASSIGNMENT!

AND, UH, I'M GOING TO BE HIS LENS CADDY!

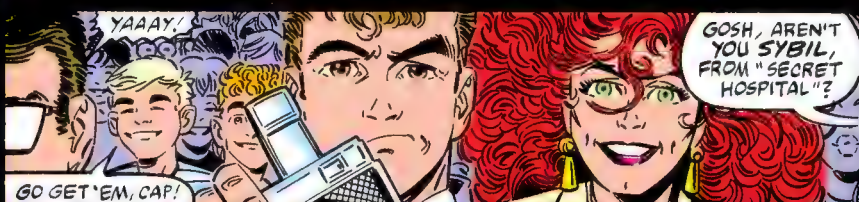
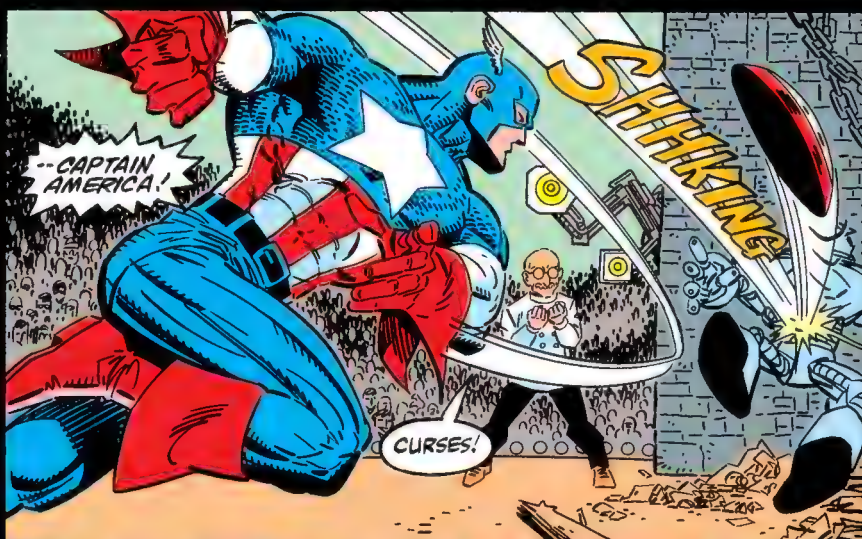


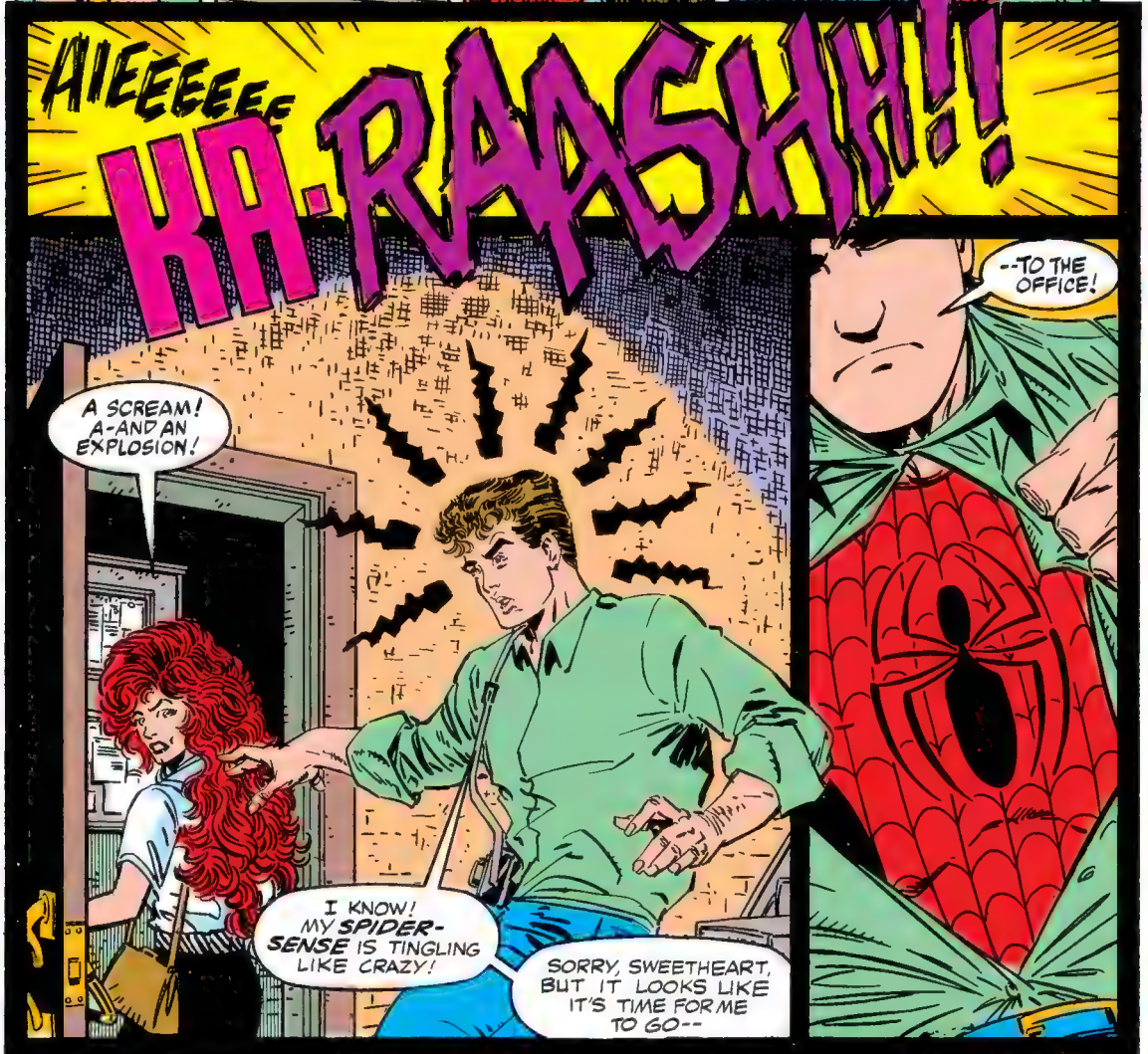
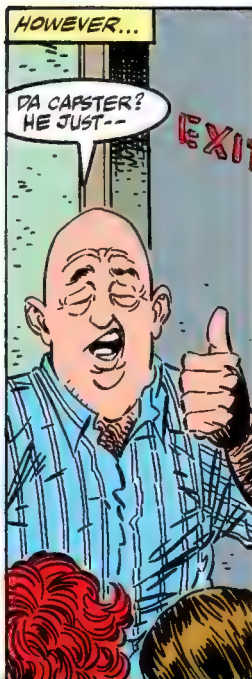
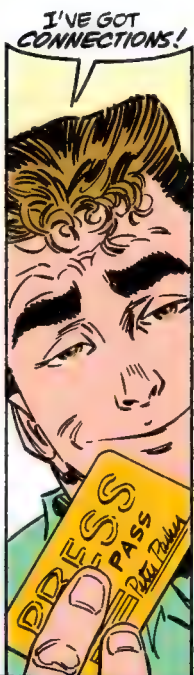


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FOR THE
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AND NOW,
IN A DRAMATIC
RECREATION
STAGED
EXCLUSIVELY
FOR THIS
EVENT--





IN THIS CASE, THE
BOX OFFICE!

WHERE A SHATTERED
SAFE SURRENDERS
THOUSANDS OF
CHARITY DOLLARS
TO--

--THE SHOCKER!

GRAB
HIM!

SVASH

NOT IN
THIS
LIFETIME!

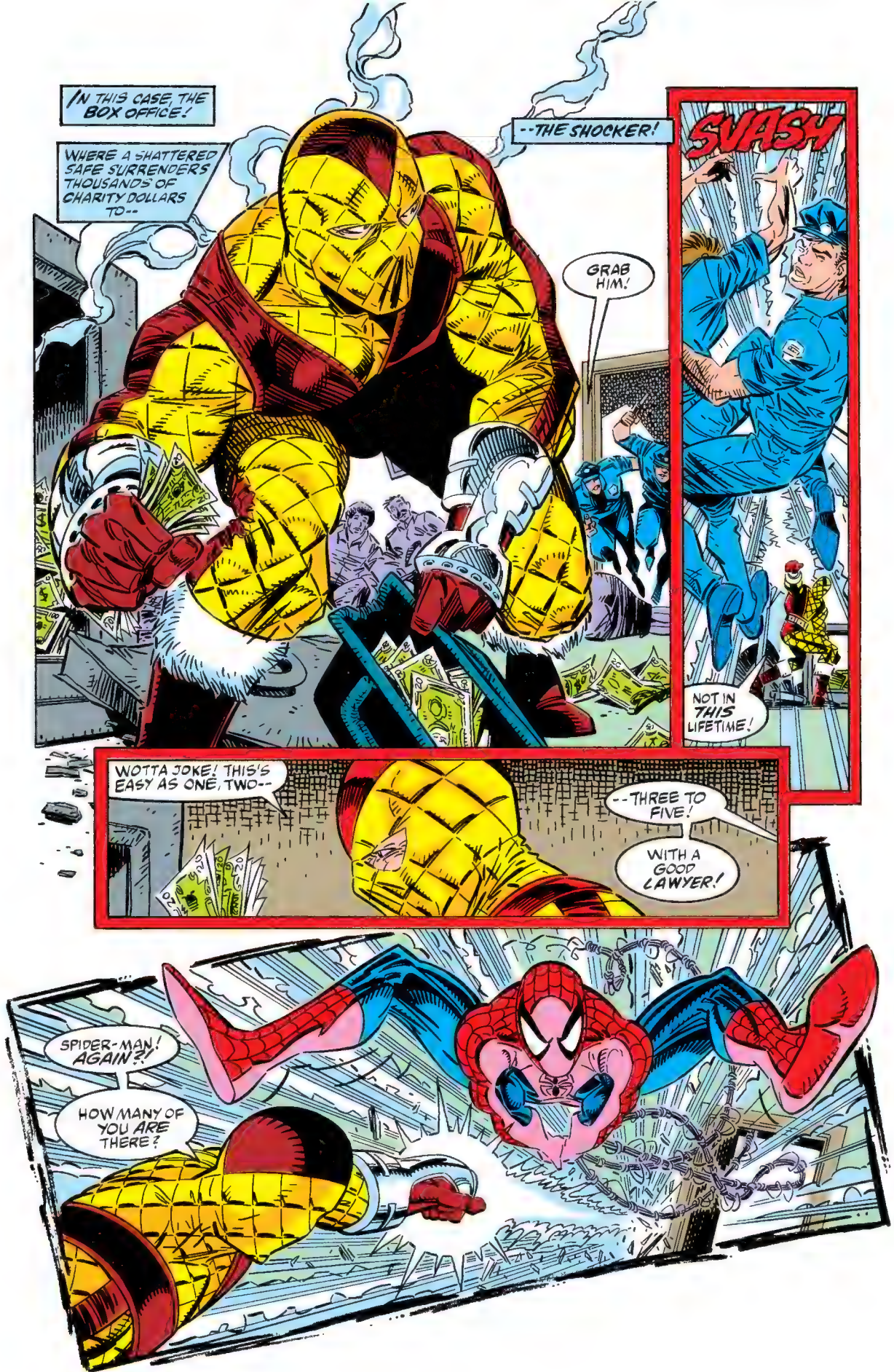
WOTTA JOKE! THIS'S
EASY AS ONE, TWO--

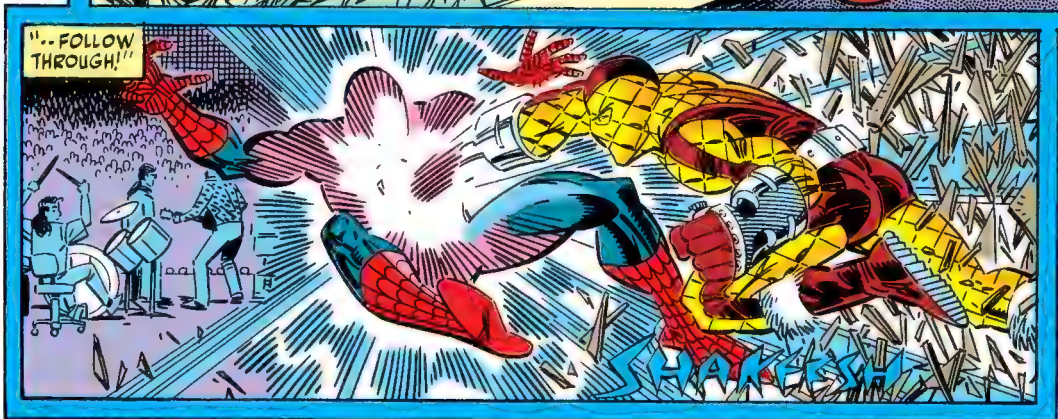
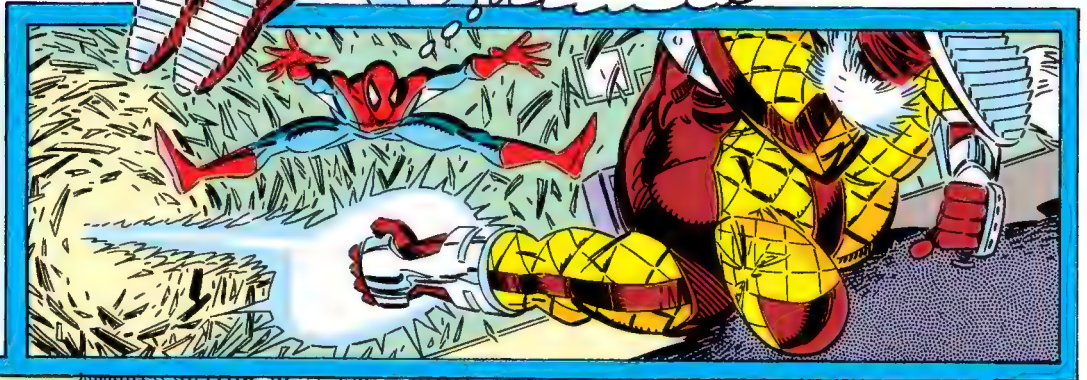
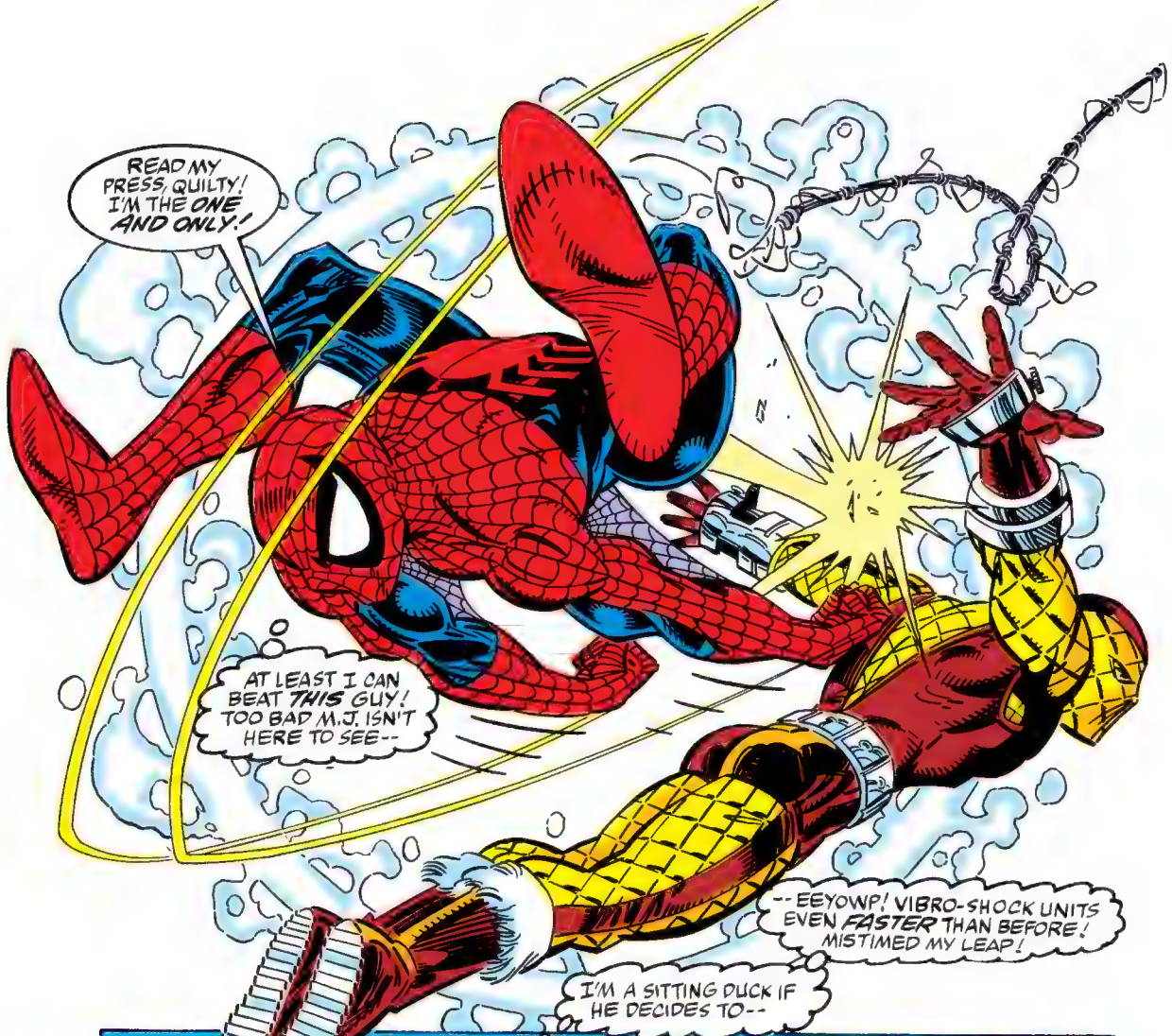
--THREE TO
FIVE!

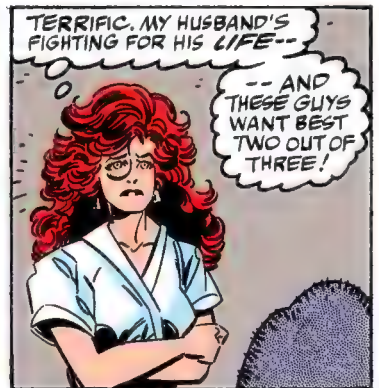
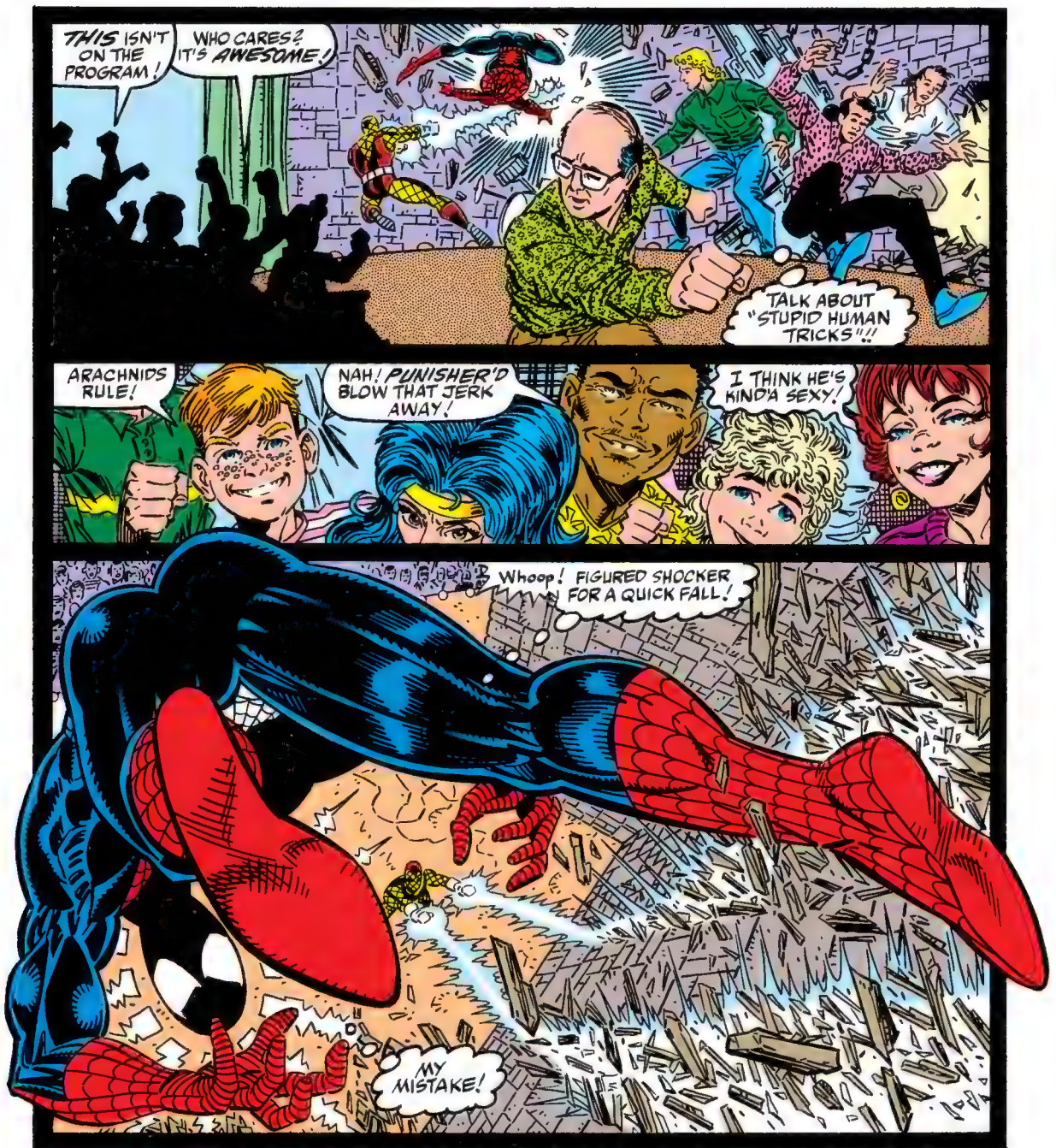
WITH A
GOOD
LAWYER!

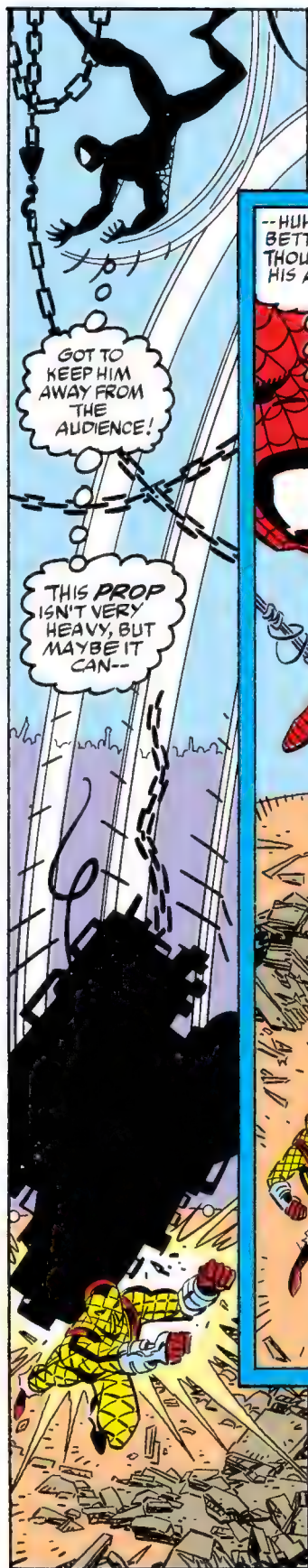
SPIDER-MAN!
AGAIN?!

HOW MANY OF
YOU ARE
THERE?



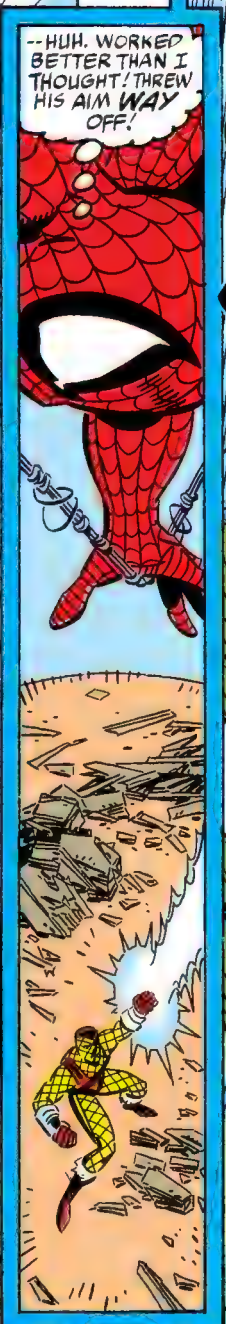




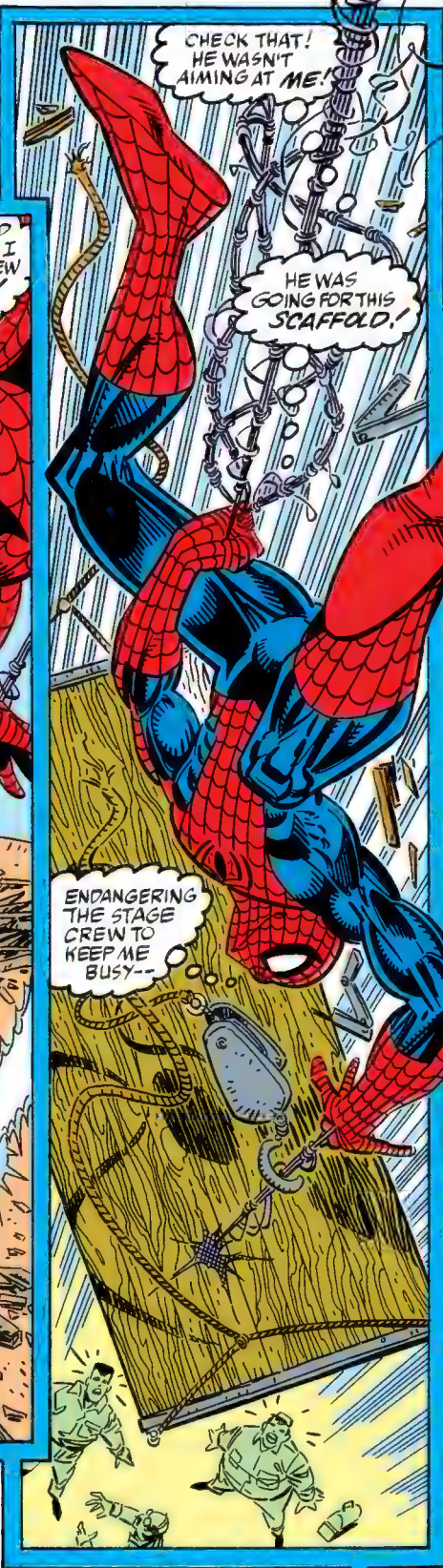


GOT TO KEEP HIM AWAY FROM THE AUDIENCE!

THIS PROP ISN'T VERY HEAVY, BUT MAYBE IT CAN--



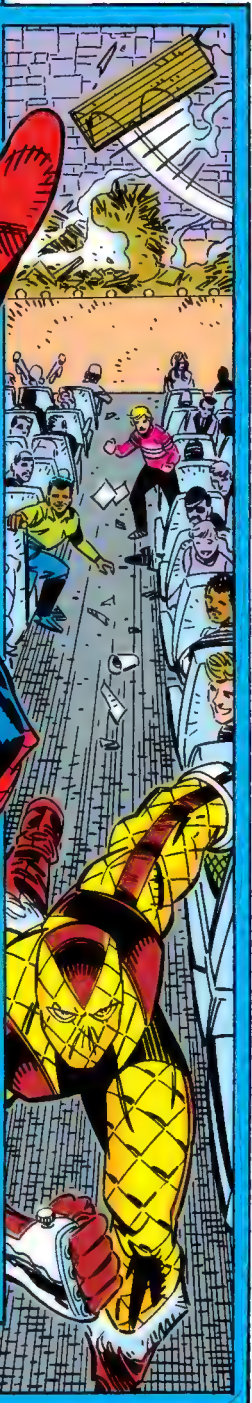
--HUH. WORKED BETTER THAN I THOUGHT! THREW HIS AIM WAY OFF!



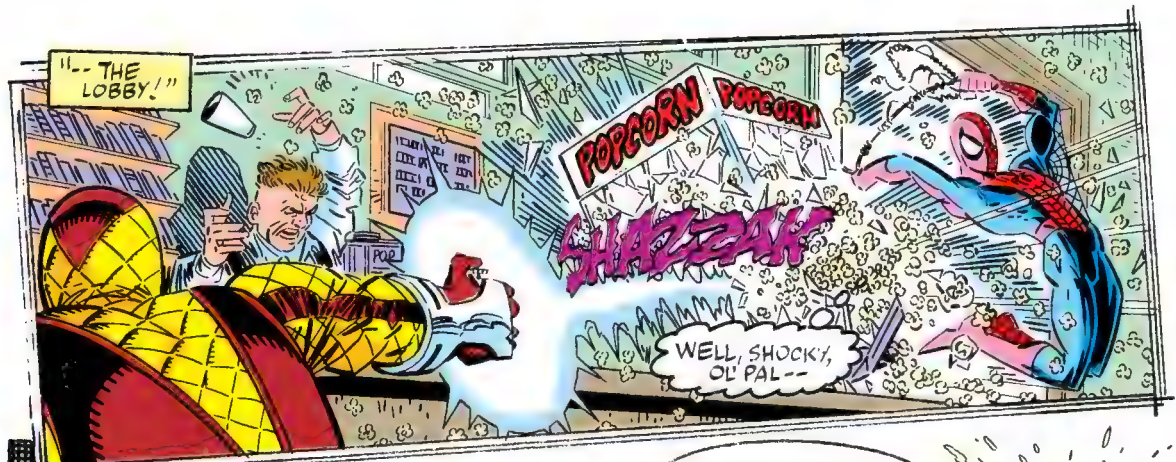
CHECK THAT! HE WASN'T AIMING AT ME!

HE WAS GOING FOR THIS SCAFFOLD!

ENDANGERING THE STAGE CREW TO KEEP ME BUSY--



--WHILE HE MAKES A BREAK FOR--



"-- THE LOBBY!"

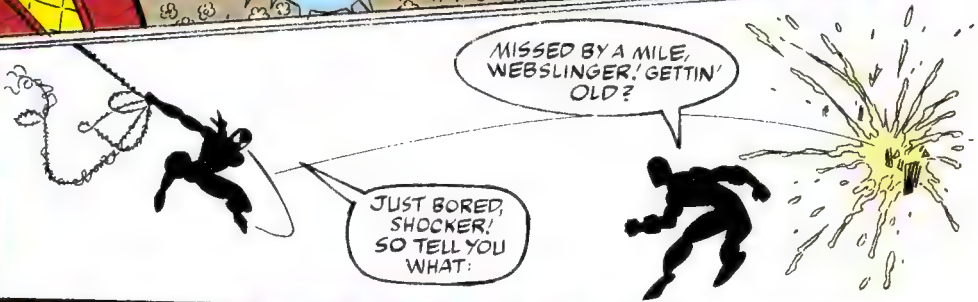
POPCORN POPCORN
SHAZZAK

WELL, SHOCKY,
OL' PAL--



--TWO CAN
PLAY THE
MISDIRECTION
GAME!

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SORTA-
BUTTER



MISSED BY A MILE,
WEBSLINGER, GETTIN'
OLD?

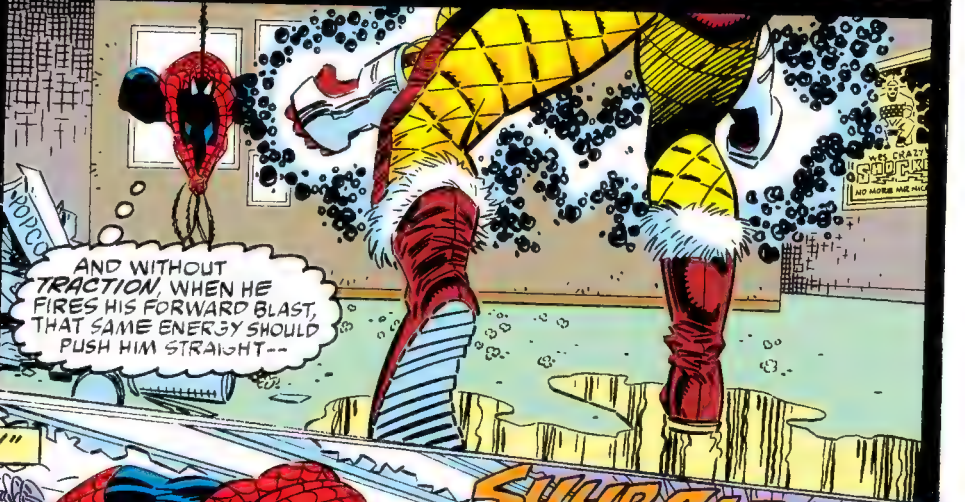
JUST BORED,
SHOCKER!
SO TELL YOU
WHAT:



I'M GONNA HANG HERE
WHILE YOU TAKE YOUR
BEST SHOT. GIVE
IT EVERYTHING!
THEN...
... I'LL
TAKE
MINE!

HE'S BUYING IT! BUILDING UP
ENERGY FOR ONE SUPER-ZAP!

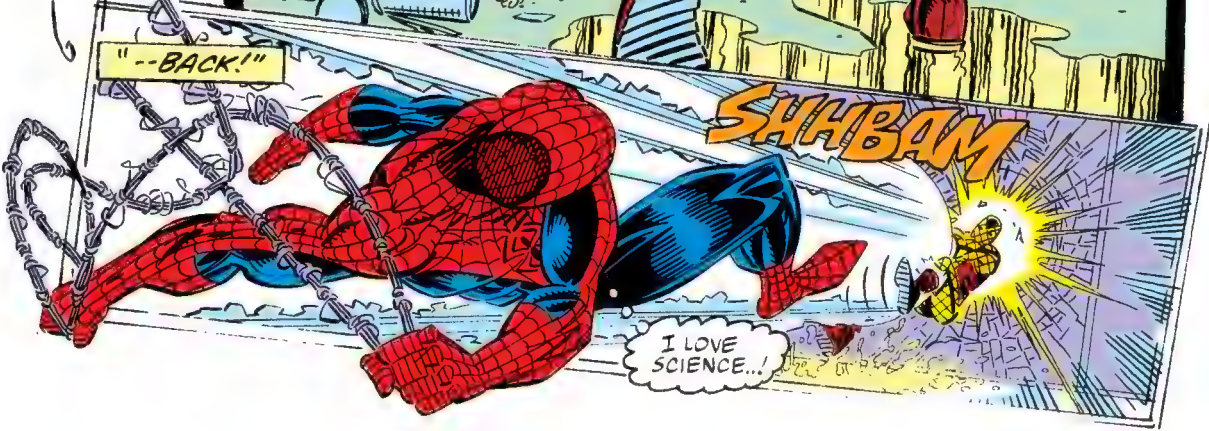
DOESN'T
EVEN SEE THAT
COOKING OIL
RUNNING UNDER
HIS BOOTS!



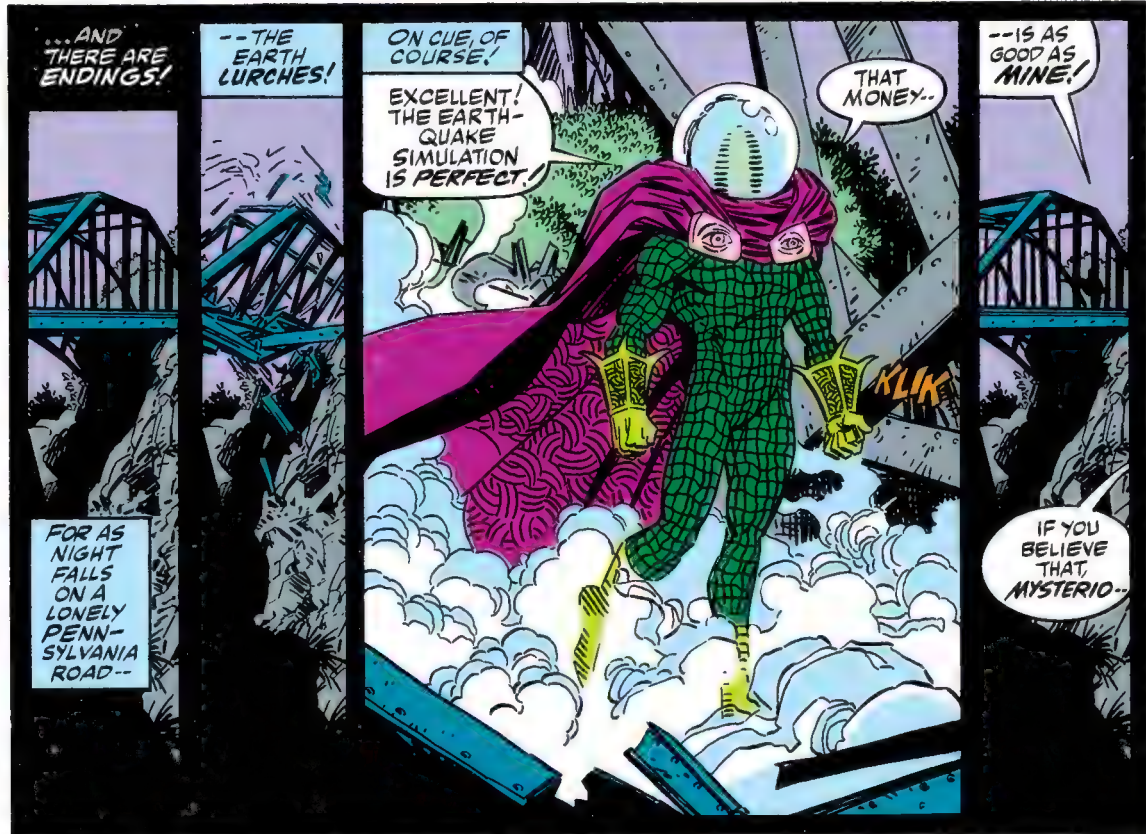
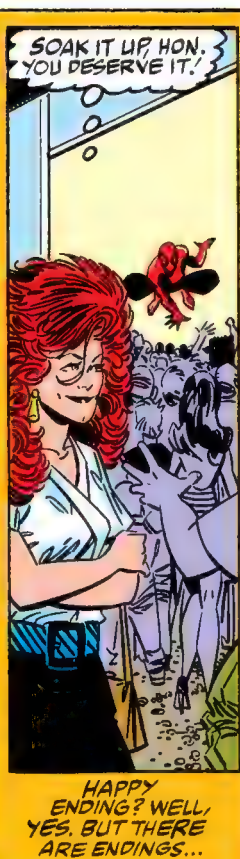
AND WITHOUT
TRACTION, WHEN HE
FIRES HIS FORWARD BLAST,
THAT SAME ENERGY SHOULD
PUSH HIM STRAIGHT--

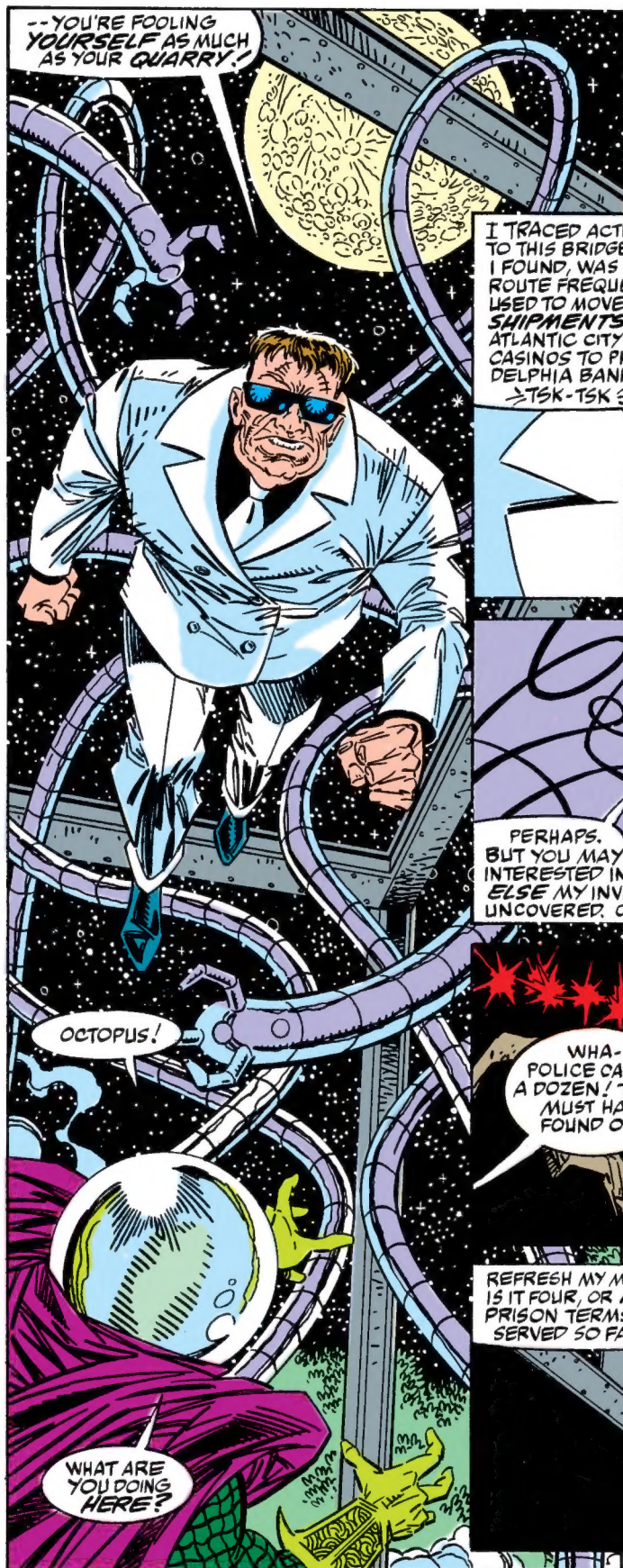
"--BACK!"

SHHBBAM



I LOVE
SCIENCE..!





--YOU'RE FOOLING YOURSELF AS MUCH AS YOUR QUARRY!

I'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR YOU. WHEN SOURCES INFORMED ME OF A LARGE SALE OF COMPONENTS FOR ADVANCED HOLOGRAPHIC PROJECTORS, I KNEW I WAS ON THE RIGHT TRAIL!

I TRACED ACTIVITIES TO THIS BRIDGE WHICH, I FOUND, WAS ON A ROUTE FREQUENTLY USED TO MOVE CASH SHIPMENTS FROM ATLANTIC CITY CASINOS TO PHILADELPHIA BANKS!

→TSK-TSK←



BUTT OUT, OCTOPUS! THIS IS MY TRIUMPH!

PERHAPS, BUT YOU MAY BE INTERESTED IN SOMETHING ELSE MY INVESTIGATION UNCOVERED. OBSERVE!

OCTOPUS!

WHA-- POLICE CARS! A DOZEN! THEY MUST HAVE FOUND OUT--!

REFRESH MY MEMORY: IS IT FOUR, OR FIVE, PRISON TERMS YOU'VE SERVED SO FAR?

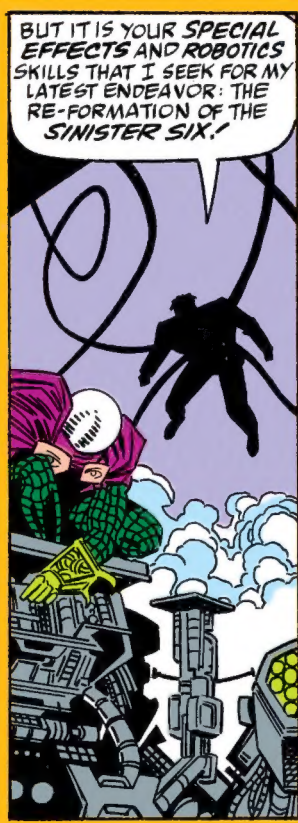
YOU HAVE MY ATTENTION, DOCTOR. WON'T YOU JOIN ME--

WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?



--BELOW?

AH, EVER THE DRAMATICS!



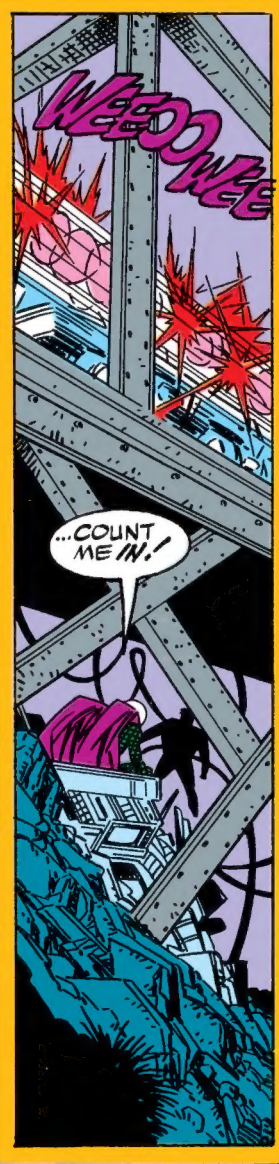
BUT IT IS YOUR **SPECIAL EFFECTS AND ROBOTICS** SKILLS THAT I SEEK FOR MY LATEST ENDEAVOR: THE RE-FORMATION OF THE **SINISTER SIX!**



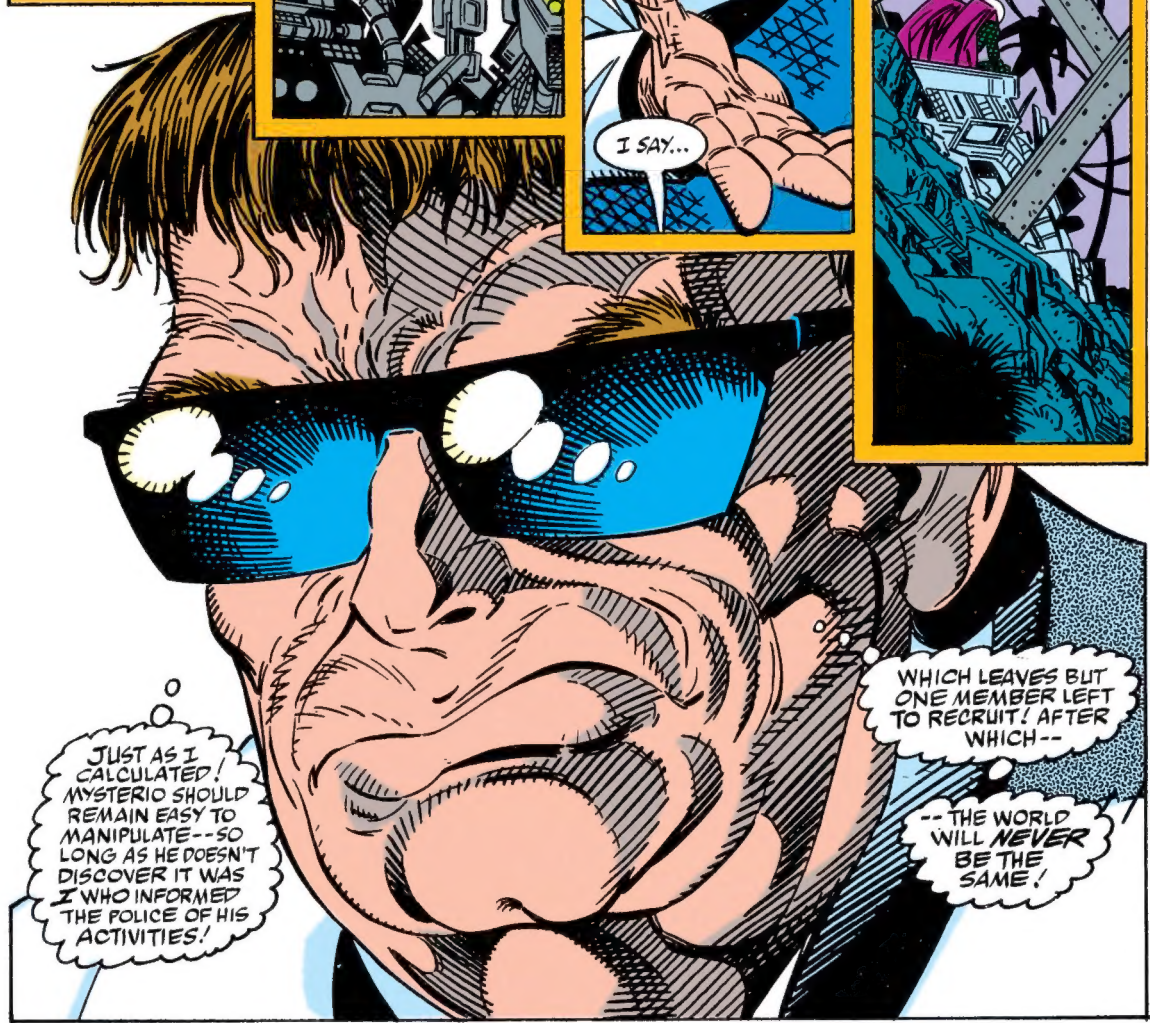
AND IF THE WORK I PLAN IS SUCCESSFUL, **NONE** OF US WILL EVER HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT **JAIL** AGAIN!

WHAT SAY YOU, MYSTERIO?

I SAY...



...COUNT ME IN!



JUST AS I CALCULATED! MYSTERIO SHOULD REMAIN EASY TO MANIPULATE---SO LONG AS HE DOESN'T DISCOVER IT WAS I WHO INFORMED THE POLICE OF HIS ACTIVITIES!

WHICH LEAVES BUT ONE MEMBER LEFT TO RECRUIT! AFTER WHICH--

-- THE WORLD WILL **NEVER** BE THE SAME!

EPILOGUE:
THE NEXT
MORNING.

DAILY BUGLE

I MAY NOT HAVE
GOTTEN ANY
SPIDER-MAN
PHOTOS --

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-- BUT THESE SHOTS OF THE CHARITY SHOW ITSELF SHOULD-- EH?

--HOLOGRAPHIC PROJECTORS, BEN! I SWEAR!

MY SOURCE IN THE SPECIAL INVESTIGATION UNIT IS SOLID! HE SAYS THEY WERE SET UP TO SIMULATE AN **EARTH-QUAKE**, PROBABLY FOR AN ARMORED CAR ROBBERY!

BUT THEY STILL DON'T KNOW WHY THE SCHEME WAS ABANDONED!

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RESCUED **ELECTRO**
AT THAT WAREHOUSE,*
I KNEW SOMETHING
BIG WAS IN THE WORKS!
BUT IF **MYSTERO** IS
ACTIVE AS WELL, THIS
COULD BE BIGGER
THAN I THOUGHT!
MAYBE EVEN BIGGER...

...THAN
I CAN
HANDLE!

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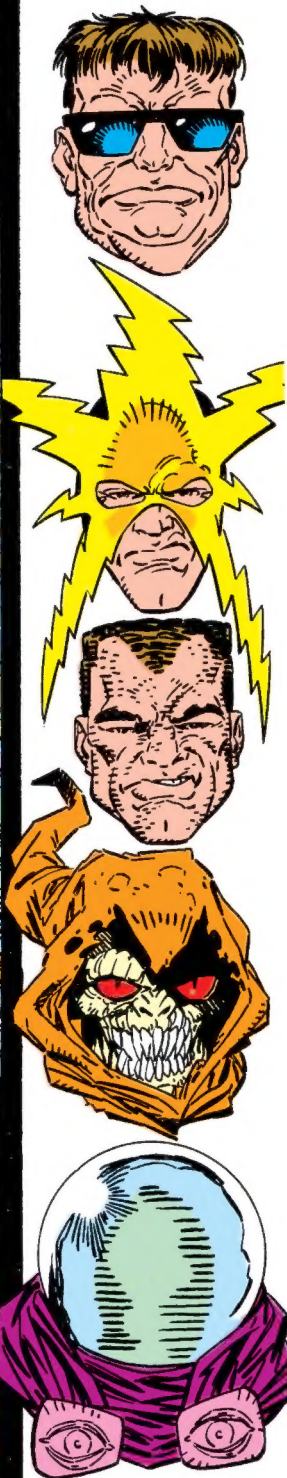
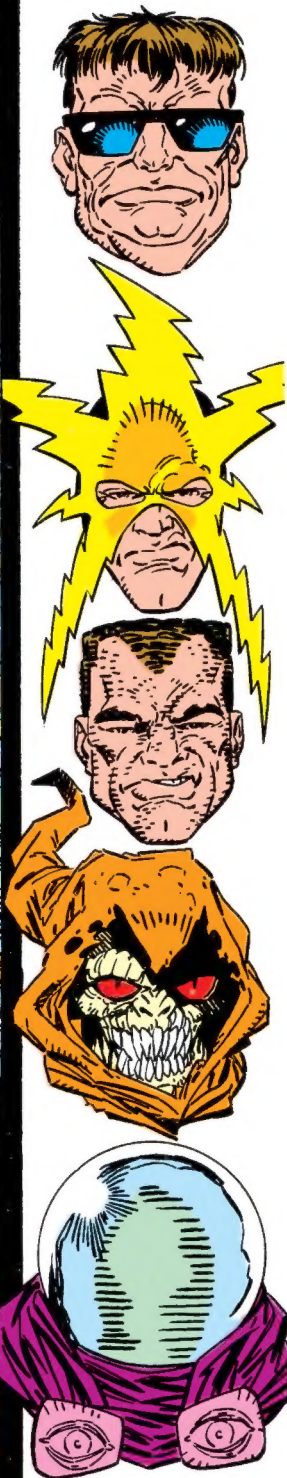
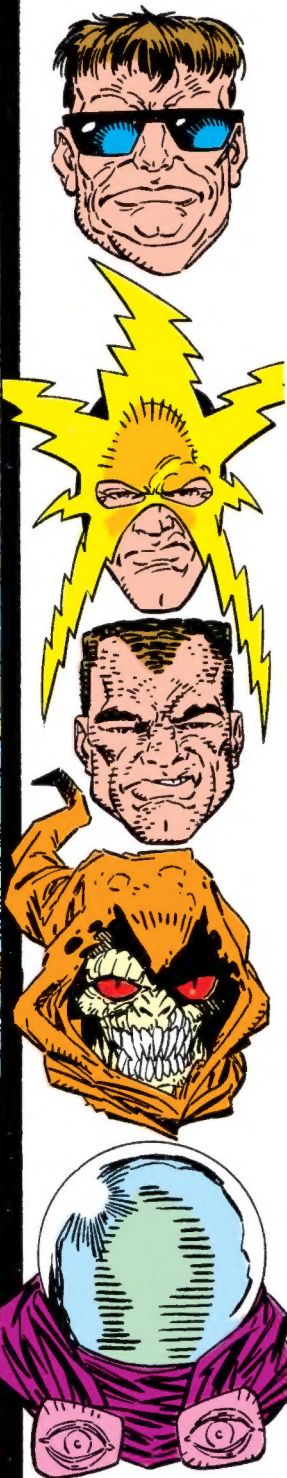
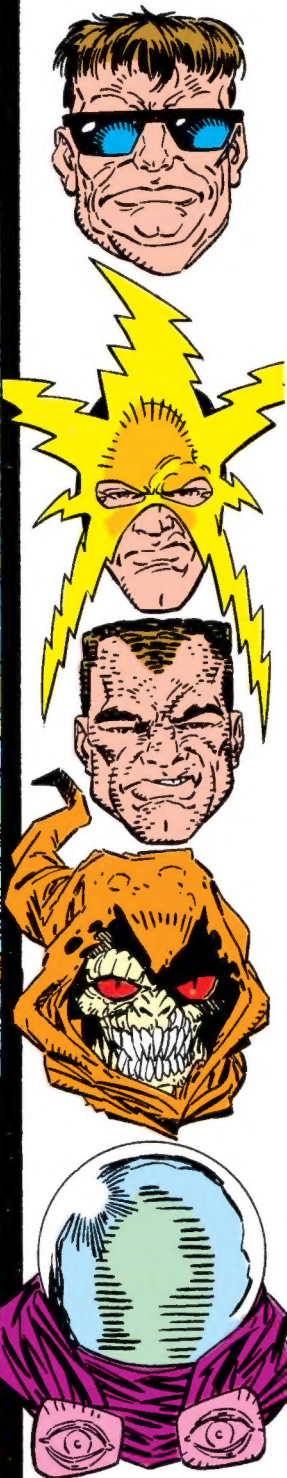
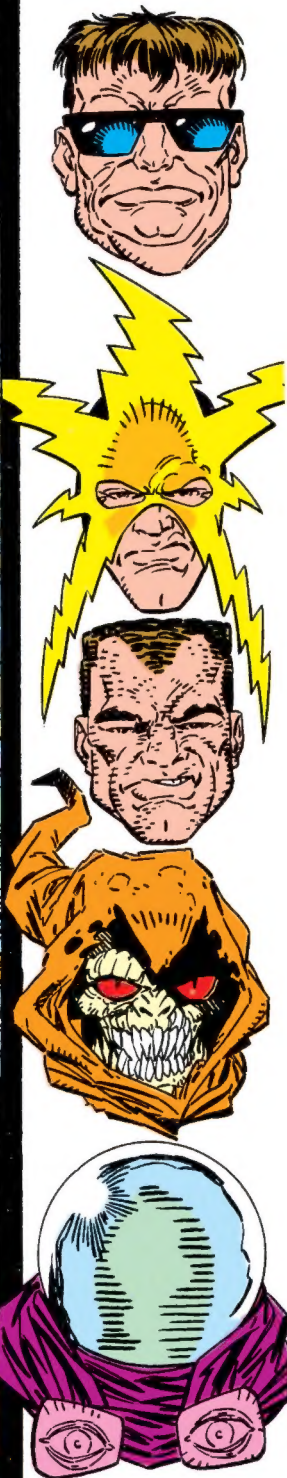
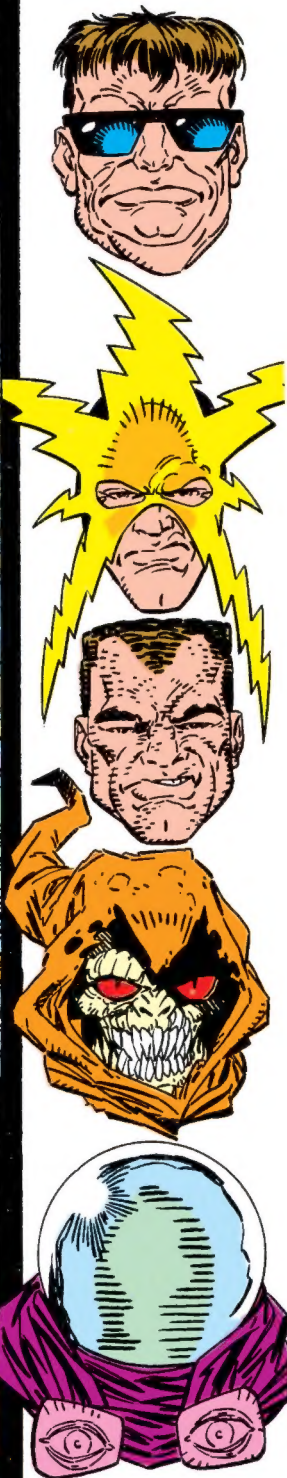
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